

# Prime Minister Receives the Grand Cross of the Order of Makarios III

## Key Points

### What Happened?

- On **16th June 2025**, the **President of Cyprus, H.E. Nikos Christodoulides**, awarded the **Grand Cross of the Order of Makarios III** to **Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi**.
- This is **one of the highest honours** given by Cyprus.

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### What Did the Prime Minister Say?

- Accepted the Award on Behalf of All Indians:**  
He said this award belongs to the **1.4 billion people of India**.
- Expressed Gratitude:**  
Thanked the **President, Government, and People of Cyprus** for the honour.
- Dedicated the Award to India-Cyprus Friendship:**  
Highlighted the **long-standing warm relationship** between India and Cyprus, built on **mutual trust and shared values**.

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### Why is this Award Important?

- The Prime Minister said it reflects India's philosophy of **"Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam"**  
(Meaning: *The World is One Family*)
  - This shows India's focus on **global peace, unity, and progress**.
- The award is a **recognition of India's efforts on the world stage** for promoting peace and cooperation.

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### What Does it Mean for India-Cyprus Relations?

- The Prime Minister said this is a **renewed commitment** to:
  - Strengthen the partnership.
  - Work together in new areas.

- Both countries support:
  - **Peace**
  - **Security**
  - **Sovereignty (respect for each country's independence)**
  - **Territorial Integrity (no interference in each other's land)**
  - **Shared Prosperity (economic growth for both nations)**

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## □□ Summary:

- The **Grand Cross of the Order of Makarios III** is a prestigious international honour.
- It celebrates **India's contribution to global peace** and **India-Cyprus friendship**.
- The event highlights **India's growing international recognition**.

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